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HQ South Western Air Command, IAF (For SOsA/SAASO)
HQ Southern Air Command, IAF
HQ Training Command, IAF
HQ Maintenance Command, IAF

MODIFICATION : POLICY ON HABITUAL OFFENDERS

1. Please refer to policy on Habitual Offenders issued by this HQ vide its letter No Air HQ/C 23406/685/PS dated 18 Dec 96.
2. As per the existing policy, punishment entries incurred during ab-initio training period, prior to the eight years of good conduct period and black ink entry incurred for loss of AFIC for the first time by an airman (Sgt & below) or an NC (E) are not counted for the purpose of this policy. Evidently while framing the Air Force Act, its framers had in mind the concept of "regulate them young and they will stay disciplined". Punishment of Extra Guards or Duties hence were directed against airmen of classification AC/LAC and NCs(E) alone.
3. With the above genesis in mind, the validity of minor punishment of "Extra Guards or Duties not exceeding three in number" awarded by the Commanding Officers under the provisions of Section 82 (c) of Air Force Act, 1950 was examined at this HQ after obtaining the views of all the AOsC-in-C.
4. It has now been decided to exclude the punishment entry of "Extra Guards or Duties" while processing cases under Habitual Offenders policy. This modified policy is to be implemented wef 01 Oct 03.
5. Command HQs are requested to issue suitable instructions to Stns/units under their jurisdiction for compliance with this policy.
6. Please acknowledge receipt.

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